

# The boundedness of some singular integral operators on weighted Hardy spaces associated with Schrödinger operators

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## Abstract

Let  $L = -\Delta + V$  be a Schrödinger operator acting on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , where  $V \not\equiv 0$  is a nonnegative locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . In this paper, we first define molecules for weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^p(w)$  ( $0 < p \leq 1$ ) associated to  $L$  and establish their molecular characterizations. Then by using the atomic decomposition and molecular characterization of  $H_L^p(w)$ , we will show that the imaginary power  $L^{i\gamma}$  is bounded on  $H_L^p(w)$  for  $n/(n+1) < p \leq 1$ , and the fractional integral operator  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is bounded from  $H_L^p(w)$  to  $H_L^q(w^{q/p})$ , where  $0 < \alpha < \min\{n/2, 1\}$ ,  $n/(n+1) < p \leq n/(n+\alpha)$  and  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ .  
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## 1 Introduction

Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $V$  be a nonnegative locally integrable function defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , not identically zero. We define the form  $\mathcal{Q}$  by

$$\mathcal{Q}(u, v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} Vuv \, dx$$

with domain  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q}) = \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V}$  where

$$\mathcal{V} = \{u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) : \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_k} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, n \text{ and } \sqrt{V}u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)\}.$$

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It is well known that this symmetric form is closed. Note also that it was shown by Simon [15] that this form coincides with the minimal closure of the form given by the same expression but defined on  $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (the space of  $C^\infty$  functions with compact supports). In other words,  $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a core of the form  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

Let us denote by  $L$  the self-adjoint operator associated with  $\mathcal{Q}$ . The domain of  $L$  is given by

$$\mathcal{D}(L) = \{u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q}) : \exists v \in L^2 \text{ such that } \mathcal{Q}(u, \varphi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} v \varphi dx, \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q})\}.$$

Formally, we write  $L = -\Delta + V$  as a Schrödinger operator with potential  $V$ . Let  $\{e^{-tL}\}_{t>0}$  be the semigroup of linear operators generated by  $-L$  and  $p_t(x, y)$  be their kernels. Since  $V$  is nonnegative, the Feynman-Kac formula implies that

$$0 \leq p_t(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}} \quad (1.1)$$

for all  $t > 0$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since the Schrödinger operator  $L$  is a self-adjoint positive definite operator acting on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $L$  admits the following spectral resolution

$$L = \int_0^\infty \lambda dE_L(\lambda),$$

where the  $E_L(\lambda)$  are spectral projectors. For any  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ , we shall define the imaginary power  $L^{i\gamma}$  associated to  $L$  by the formula

$$L^{i\gamma} = \int_0^\infty \lambda^{i\gamma} dE_L(\lambda).$$

By the functional calculus for  $L$ , we can also define the operator  $L^{i\gamma}$  as follows

$$L^{i\gamma}(f)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-i\gamma)} \int_0^\infty t^{-i\gamma-1} e^{-tL}(f)(x) dt. \quad (1.2)$$

By spectral theory  $\|L^{i\gamma}\|_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2} = 1$  for all  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ . Moreover, it was proved by Shen [12] that  $L^{i\gamma}$  is a Calderón-Zygmund operator provided that  $V \in RH_{n/2}$  (Reverse Hölder class). We refer the readers to [6, 7, 14] for related results concerning the imaginary powers of self-adjoint operators.

For any  $0 < \alpha < n$ , the fractional integrals  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  associated to  $L$  is defined by

$$L^{-\alpha/2}(f)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha/2-1} e^{-tL}(f)(x) dt. \quad (1.3)$$

Since the kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  of  $\{e^{-tL}\}_{t>0}$  satisfies the Gaussian upper bound (1.1), then it is easy to check that  $|L^{-\alpha/2}(f)(x)| \leq CI_\alpha(|f|)(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $I_\alpha$  denotes the classical fractional integral operator (see [17])

$$I_\alpha(f)(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n-\alpha}{2})}{2^\alpha \pi^{\frac{n}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{2})} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{f(y)}{|x-y|^{n-\alpha}} dy.$$

Hence, by using the  $L^p$ - $L^q$  boundedness of  $I_\alpha$  (see [17]), we have

$$\|L^{-\alpha/2}(f)\|_{L^q} \leq C\|I_\alpha(f)\|_{L^q} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p},$$

where  $1 < p < n/\alpha$  and  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ . For more information about the fractional integrals  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  associated to a general class of operators, we refer the readers to [3, 9, 20].

In [16], Song and Yan introduced the weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^1(w)$  associated to  $L$  in terms of the area integral function and established their atomic decomposition theory. They also showed that the Riesz transform  $\nabla L^{-1/2}$  is bounded on  $L^p(w)$  for  $1 < p < 2$ , and bounded from  $H_L^1(w)$  to the classical weighted Hardy space  $H^1(w)$  (see [4, 18]).

Recently, in [19], we defined the weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^p(w)$  associated to  $L$  for  $0 < p < 1$  and gave their atomic decompositions. We also obtained that  $\nabla L^{-1/2}$  is bounded from  $H_L^p(w)$  to the classical weighted Hardy space  $H^p(w)$  (see also [4, 18]) for  $n/(n+1) < p < 1$ . In this article, we first define weighted molecules for the weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^p(w)$  associated to  $L$  and then establish their molecular characterizations. As an application of the molecular characterization combining with the atomic decomposition of  $H_L^p(w)$ , we shall obtain some estimates of  $L^{i\gamma}$  and  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  on  $H_L^p(w)$  for  $n/(n+1) < p \leq 1$ . Our main results are stated as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $L = -\Delta + V$ ,  $n/(n+1) < p \leq 1$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_{(2/p)'}.$  Then for any  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ , the imaginary power  $L^{i\gamma}$  is bounded from  $H_L^p(w)$  to the weighted Lebesgue space  $L^p(w)$ .*

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $L = -\Delta + V$ ,  $n/(n+1) < p \leq 1$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_{(2/p)}.$  Then for any  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ , the imaginary power  $L^{i\gamma}$  is bounded on  $H_L^p(w)$ .*

**Theorem 1.3.** *Suppose that  $L = -\Delta + V$ . Let  $0 < \alpha < n/2$ ,  $n/(n+1) < p \leq 1$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_{(2/p)}.$  Then the fractional integral operator  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is bounded from  $H_L^p(w)$  to  $L^q(w^{q/p})$ .*

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## 2 Notations and preliminaries

First, let us recall some standard definitions and notations. The classical  $A_p$  weight theory was first introduced by Muckenhoupt in the study of weighted  $L^p$  boundedness of Hardy-Littlewood maximal functions in [10]. A weight  $w$  is a locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which takes values in  $(0, \infty)$  almost everywhere,  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$  denotes the ball with the center  $x_0$  and radius  $r_B$ . We say that  $w \in A_1$ , if

$$\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B w(x) dx \leq C \cdot \operatorname{ess\,inf}_{x \in B} w(x) \quad \text{for every ball } B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n.$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant which is independent of  $B$ .

A weight function  $w$  is said to belong to the reverse Hölder class  $RH_r$  if there exist two constants  $r > 1$  and  $C > 0$  such that the following reverse Hölder inequality holds

$$\left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B w(x)^r dx \right)^{1/r} \leq C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B w(x) dx \right) \quad \text{for every ball } B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Given a ball  $B$  and  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda B$  denotes the ball with the same center as  $B$  whose radius is  $\lambda$  times that of  $B$ . For a given weight function  $w$ , we denote the Lebesgue measure of  $B$  by  $|B|$  and the weighted measure of  $B$  by  $w(B) = \int_B w(x) dx$ .

We give the following results which will be often used in the sequel.

**Lemma 2.1** ([5]). *Let  $w \in A_1$ . Then, for any ball  $B$ , there exists an absolute constant  $C$  such that*

$$w(2B) \leq C w(B).$$

*In general, for any  $\lambda > 1$ , we have*

$$w(\lambda B) \leq C \cdot \lambda^n w(B),$$

*where  $C$  does not depend on  $B$  nor on  $\lambda$ .*

**Lemma 2.2** ([5]). *Let  $w \in A_1$ . Then there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$C \cdot \frac{|E|}{|B|} \leq \frac{w(E)}{w(B)}$$

*for any measurable subset  $E$  of a ball  $B$ .*

Given a Muckenhoupt's weight function  $w$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , for  $0 < p < \infty$ , we denote by  $L^p(w)$  the space of all functions satisfying

$$\|f\|_{L^p(w)} = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)|^p w(x) dx \right)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

Throughout this article, we will use  $C$  to denote a positive constant, which is independent of the main parameters and not necessarily the same at each occurrence. By  $A \sim B$ , we mean that there exists a constant  $C > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{C} \leq \frac{A}{B} \leq C$ . Moreover, we denote the conjugate exponent of  $s > 1$  by  $s' = s/(s-1)$ .

### 3 Atomic decomposition and molecular characterization of weighted Hardy spaces

Let  $L = -\Delta + V$ . For any  $t > 0$ , we define  $P_t = e^{-tL}$  and

$$Q_{t,k} = (-t)^k \frac{d^k P_s}{ds^k} \Big|_{s=t} = (tL)^k e^{-tL}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

We denote simply by  $Q_t$  when  $k = 1$ . First note that Gaussian upper bounds carry over from heat kernels to their time derivatives.

**Lemma 3.1** ([2,11]). *For every  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , there exist two positive constants  $C_k$  and  $c_k$  such that the kernel  $p_{t,k}(x, y)$  of the operator  $Q_{t,k}$  satisfies*

$$|p_{t,k}(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_k}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{c_k t}}$$

for all  $t > 0$  and almost all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Set

$$H^2(\mathbb{R}^n) = \overline{\mathcal{R}(L)} = \overline{\{Lu \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) : u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)\}},$$

where  $\overline{\mathcal{R}(L)}$  stands for the range of  $L$ . We also set

$$\Gamma(x) = \{(y, t) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} : |x - y| < t\}.$$

For a given function  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we consider the area integral function associated to Schrödinger operator  $L$  (see [1,8])

$$S_L(f)(x) = \left( \iint_{\Gamma(x)} |Q_{t^2}(f)(y)|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{1/2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Given a weight function  $w$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , in [16,19], the authors defined the weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^p(w)$  for  $0 < p \leq 1$  as the completion of  $H^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  in the norm given by the  $L^p(w)$ -norm of area integral function; that is

$$\|f\|_{H_L^p(w)} = \|S_L(f)\|_{L^p(w)}.$$

In [16], Song and Yan characterized weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^1(w)$  in terms of atoms in the following way and obtained their atomic characterizations.

**Definition 3.2** ([16]). *Let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . A function  $a(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called a  $(1, 2, M)$ -atom with respect to  $w$  (or a  $w$ -( $1, 2, M$ )-atom) if there exist a ball  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$  and a function  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^M)$  such that*

- (a)  $a = L^M b$ ;
- (b)  $\text{supp } L^k b \subseteq B$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ;
- (c)  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k b\|_{L^2(B)} \leq r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ .

**Theorem 3.3** ([16]). *Let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_2$ . If  $f \in H_L^1(w)$ , then there exist a family of  $w$ -( $1, 2, M$ )-atoms  $\{a_j\}$  and a sequence of real numbers  $\{\lambda_j\}$  with  $\sum_j |\lambda_j| \leq C \|f\|_{H_L^1(w)}$  such that  $f$  can be represented in the form  $f(x) = \sum_j \lambda_j a_j(x)$ , and the sum converges both in the sense of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -norm and  $H_L^1(w)$ -norm.*

Similarly, in [19], we introduced the notion of weighted atoms for  $H_L^p(w)$  ( $0 < p < 1$ ) and proved their atomic characterizations.

**Definition 3.4** ([19]). *Let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 < p < 1$ . A function  $a(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called a  $(p, 2, M)$ -atom with respect to  $w$  (or a  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom) if there exist a ball  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$  and a function  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^M)$  such that*

- (a')  $a = L^M b$ ;
- (b')  $\text{supp } L^k b \subseteq B$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ;
- (c')  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k b\|_{L^2(B)} \leq r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ .

**Theorem 3.5** ([19]). *Let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < p < 1$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_{(2/p)'$ . If  $f \in H_L^p(w)$ , then there exist a family of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atoms  $\{a_j\}$  and a sequence of real numbers  $\{\lambda_j\}$  with  $\sum_j |\lambda_j|^p \leq C \|f\|_{H_L^p(w)}^p$  such that  $f$  can be represented in the form  $f(x) = \sum_j \lambda_j a_j(x)$ , and the sum converges both in the sense of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -norm and  $H_L^p(w)$ -norm.*

For every bounded Borel function  $F : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , we define the operator  $F(L) : L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  by the following formula

$$F(L) = \int_0^\infty F(\lambda) dE_L(\lambda),$$

where  $E_L(\lambda)$  is the spectral decomposition of  $L$ . Therefore, the operator  $\cos(t\sqrt{L})$  is well-defined on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Moreover, it follows from [13] that there exists a constant  $c_0$  such that the Schwartz kernel  $K_{\cos(t\sqrt{L})}(x, y)$  of  $\cos(t\sqrt{L})$  has support contained in  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n : |x - y| \leq c_0 t\}$ . By the functional calculus for  $L$  and Fourier inversion formula, whenever  $F$  is an even bounded Borel function with  $\hat{F} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ , we can write  $F(\sqrt{L})$  in terms of  $\cos(t\sqrt{L})$ ; precisely

$$F(\sqrt{L}) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{F}(t) \cos(t\sqrt{L}) dt,$$

which gives

$$K_{F(\sqrt{L})}(x, y) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_{|t| \geq c_0^{-1}|x-y|} \hat{F}(t) K_{\cos(t\sqrt{L})}(x, y) dt.$$

**Lemma 3.6** ([8]). *Let  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  be even and  $\text{supp } \varphi \subseteq [-c_0^{-1}, c_0^{-1}]$ . Let  $\Phi$  denote the Fourier transform of  $\varphi$ . Then for each  $j = 0, 1, \dots$ , and for all  $t > 0$ , the Schwartz kernel  $K_{(t^2 L)^j \Phi(t\sqrt{L})}(x, y)$  of  $(t^2 L)^j \Phi(t\sqrt{L})$  satisfies*

$$\text{supp } K_{(t^2 L)^j \Phi(t\sqrt{L})} \subseteq \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n : |x - y| \leq t\}.$$

For a given  $s > 0$ , we set

$$\mathcal{F}(s) = \left\{ \psi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ measurable, } |\psi(z)| \leq C \frac{|z|^s}{1 + |z|^{2s}} \right\}.$$

Then for any nonzero function  $\psi \in \mathcal{F}(s)$ , we have the following estimate (see [16])

$$\left( \int_0^\infty \|\psi(t\sqrt{L})f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2} \leq C \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \quad (3.1)$$

We are now going to define the weighted molecules corresponding to the weighted atoms mentioned above.

**Definition 3.7.** *Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 < p \leq 1$ . A function  $m(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called a  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule associated to  $L$  if there exist a ball  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$  and a function  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^M)$  such that*

- (A)  $m = L^M b$ ;
- (B)  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k b\|_{L^2(2B)} \leq r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ;
- (C)  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k b\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B)} \leq 2^{-j\varepsilon} r_B^{2M} |2^j B|^{1/2} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}$ ,  
 $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ .

Note that for every  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom  $a$ , it is a  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then we are able to establish the following molecular characterization for the weighted Hardy spaces  $H_L^p(w)$  ( $0 < p \leq 1$ ) associated to  $L$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < p \leq 1$  and  $w \in A_1 \cap RH_{(2/p)'}'$ .*

(i) *If  $f \in H_L^p(w)$ , then there exist a family of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecules  $\{m_j\}$  and a sequence of real numbers  $\{\lambda_j\}$  with  $\sum_j |\lambda_j|^p \leq C \|f\|_{H_L^p(w)}^p$  such that  $f(x) = \sum_j \lambda_j m_j(x)$ , and the sum converges both in the sense of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -norm and  $H_L^p(w)$ -norm.*

(ii) *Assume that  $M > \frac{n}{2}(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2})$ . Then every  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule  $m$  is in  $H_L^p(w)$ . Moreover, there exists a constant  $C > 0$  independent of  $m$  such that  $\|m\|_{H_L^p(w)} \leq C$ .*

*Proof.* (i) is a straightforward consequence of Theorems 3.3 and 3.5.

(ii) We follow the same constructions as in [8]. Suppose that  $m$  is a  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule associated to a ball  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$ . Let  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  be even with  $\text{supp } \varphi \subseteq [-(2c_0)^{-1}, (2c_0)^{-1}]$  and let  $\Phi$  denote the Fourier transform of  $\varphi$ . We set  $\Psi(x) = x^2 \Phi(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . By the  $L^2$ -functional calculus of  $L$ , for every  $m \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we can establish the following version of the Calderón reproducing formula

$$m(x) = c_\psi \int_0^\infty (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m)(x) \frac{dt}{t}, \quad (3.2)$$

where the above equality holds in the sense of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -norm. Set  $U_0(B) = 2B$ ,  $U_j(B) = 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , then we can decompose

$$\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) = \left( \bigcup_{j=0}^\infty U_j(B) \times (0, 2^j r_B] \right) \bigcup \left( \bigcup_{j=1}^\infty 2^j B \times (2^{j-1} r_B, 2^j r_B] \right).$$

Hence, by the formula (3.2), we are able to write

$$\begin{aligned} m(x) &= c_\psi \sum_{j=0}^\infty \int_0^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_j(B)})(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + c_\psi \sum_{j=1}^\infty \int_{2^{j-1} r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{2^j B})(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^\infty m_j^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^\infty m_j^{(2)}(x). \end{aligned}$$



Let us first estimate the terms  $\{m_j^{(1)}\}_{j=0}^\infty$ . We will show that each  $m_j^{(1)}$  is a multiple of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom with a sequence of coefficients in  $l^p$ . Indeed, for every  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , one can write

$$m_j^{(1)}(x) = L^M b_j(x),$$

where

$$b_j(x) = c_\psi \int_0^{2^j r_B} t^{2M} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_j(B)})(x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

By Lemma 3.6, we can easily conclude that for every  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ,  $\text{supp}(L^k b_j) \subseteq 2^{j+1}B$ . Since

$$\left\| [(2^{j+1}r_B)^2 L]^k b_j \right\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B)} = \sup_{\|h\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B)} \leq 1} \left| \int_{2^{j+1}B} [(2^{j+1}r_B)^2 L]^k b_j(x) h(x) dx \right|.$$

Then it follows from Hölder's inequality and the estimate (3.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{2^{j+1}B} [(2^{j+1}r_B)^2 L]^k b_j(x) h(x) dx \right| \\ &= c_\psi (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2k} \left| \int_0^{2^j r_B} \int_{2^{j+1}B} t^{2M} L^k \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_j(B)})(y) \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(h)(y) \frac{dy dt}{t} \right| \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2k} (2^j r_B)^{2M-2k} \left| \int_0^{2^j r_B} \int_{2^{j+1}B} (t^2 L)^k \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_j(B)})(y) \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(h)(y) \frac{dy dt}{t} \right| \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2M} \left( \int_0^\infty \left\| (t^2 L)^k \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_j(B)}) \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_0^\infty \left\| \Psi(t\sqrt{L})(h\chi_{2^{j+1}B}) \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2M} \left\| m\chi_{U_j(B)} \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \cdot \left\| h\chi_{2^{j+1}B} \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \\ &\leq C \cdot 2^{-j\varepsilon} (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2M} |2^{j+1}B|^{1/2} w(2^{j+1}B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\left\| [(2^{j+1}r_B)^2 L]^k b_j \right\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B)} \leq C \cdot 2^{-j\varepsilon} (2^{j+1}r_B)^{2M} |2^{j+1}B|^{1/2} w(2^{j+1}B)^{-1/p},$$

which implies our desired result. Next we consider the terms  $\{m_j^{(2)}\}_{j=1}^\infty$ .

For every  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , we write

$$\begin{aligned} m_j^{(2)}(x) &= c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad - c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{(2^j B)^c})(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= m_j^{(21)}(x) - m_j^{(22)}(x). \end{aligned}$$

To deal with the term  $m_j^{(21)}$ , we recall that  $m = L^M b$  for some  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^M)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} m_j^{(21)}(x) &= c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(L^M b)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= L^M b_j^{(21)}(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$b_j^{(21)}(x) = c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b)(x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Since  $b(x) = b(x)\chi_{2^j B}(x) + \sum_{l=j}^{\infty} b(x)\chi_{U_l(B)}(x)$ . Then we can further write

$$b_j^{(21)}(x) = b_{1,j}^{(21)}(x) + \sum_{l=j}^{\infty} b_{l,j}^{(21)}(x),$$

where

$$b_{1,j}^{(21)}(x) = c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{2^j B})(x) \frac{dt}{t}$$

and

$$b_{l,j}^{(21)}(x) = c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{U_l(B)})(x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

By using Lemma 3.6 again, we have  $\text{supp}(L^k b_{1,j}^{(21)}) \subseteq 2^j B$  and  $\text{supp}(L^k b_{l,j}^{(21)}) \subseteq 2^{l+1} B$  for every  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ . Moreover, it follows from Minkowski's integral inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| [(2^j r_B)^2 L]^k b_{1,j}^{(21)} \right\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \\ &= c_\psi (2^j r_B)^{2k} \left\| \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} t^{2M} L^{M+k} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{2^j B}) \frac{dt}{t} \right\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^j r_B)^{2k} \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} \left\| (t^2 L)^{M+k} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{2^j B}) \right\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \frac{dt}{t^{2k+1}} \\ &\leq C \|b\chi_{2^j B}\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \sum_{l=0}^{j-1} \|b\chi_{U_l(B)}\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \\
&\leq C \sum_{l=0}^{j-1} 2^{-l\varepsilon} r_B^{2M} |2^l B|^{1/2} w(2^l B)^{-1/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

When  $0 \leq l \leq j-1$ , then  $2^l B \subseteq 2^j B$ . By using Lemma 2.2, we can get

$$\frac{w(2^l B)}{w(2^j B)} \geq C \cdot \frac{|2^l B|}{|2^j B|}.$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| [(2^j r_B)^2 L]^k b_{1,j}^{(21)} \right\|_{L^2(2^j B)} \\
&\leq C \cdot 2^{-j[2M-n(1/p-1/2)]} \cdot (2^j r_B)^{2M} |2^j B|^{1/2} w(2^j B)^{-1/p} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{l\varepsilon}} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{l(n/p-n/2)}} \\
&\leq C \cdot 2^{-j[2M-n(1/p-1/2)]} \cdot (2^j r_B)^{2M} |2^j B|^{1/2} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| [(2^{l+1} r_B)^2 L]^k b_{l,j}^{(21)} \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1} B)} \\
&= c_\psi (2^{l+1} r_B)^{2k} \left\| \int_{2^{j-1} r_B}^{2^j r_B} t^{2M} L^{M+k} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{U_l(B)}) \frac{dt}{t} \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1} B)} \\
&\leq c_\psi (2^{l+1} r_B)^{2k} \int_{2^{j-1} r_B}^{2^j r_B} \left\| (t^2 L)^{M+k} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(b\chi_{U_l(B)}) \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1} B)} \frac{dt}{t^{2k+1}} \\
&\leq C (2^{l+1} r_B)^{2k} \|b\chi_{U_l(B)}\|_{L^2(2^{l+1} B)} \cdot \frac{1}{(2^j r_B)^{2k}} \\
&\leq C \cdot 2^{-l\varepsilon} (2^{l+1} r_B)^{2M} |2^{l+1} B|^{1/2} w(2^{l+1} B)^{-1/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

Observe that  $2M > n(1/p-1/2)$ . Thus, from the above discussions, we have proved that each  $m_j^{(21)}$  is a multiple of  $w\text{-}(p, 2, M)$ -atom with a sequence of coefficients in  $l^p$ . Finally, we estimate the terms  $\{m_j^{(22)}\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ . For every  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , we decompose  $m_j^{(22)}$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
m_j^{(22)}(x) &= c_\psi \sum_{l=j}^{\infty} \int_{2^{j-1} r_B}^{2^j r_B} (t^2 L)^M \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_l(B)})(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \sum_{l=j}^{\infty} L^M b_{l,j}^{(22)}(x),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$b_{lj}^{(22)}(x) = c_\psi \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} t^{2M} \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_l(B)})(x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

It follows immediately from Lemma 3.6 that  $\text{supp}(L^k b_{lj}^{(22)}) \subseteq 2^{l+1}B$  for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots, M$  and  $l \geq j$ . Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| [(2^{l+1}r_B)^2 L]^k b_{lj}^{(22)} \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1}B)} \\ &= c_\psi (2^{l+1}r_B)^{2k} \left\| \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} t^{2M} L^k \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_l(B)}) \frac{dt}{t} \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1}B)} \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^{l+1}r_B)^{2k} (2^l r_B)^{2M-2k} \int_{2^{j-1}r_B}^{2^j r_B} \left\| (t^2 L)^k \Psi^2(t\sqrt{L})(m\chi_{U_l(B)}) \right\|_{L^2(2^{l+1}B)} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\leq c_\psi (2^{l+1}r_B)^{2M} \|m\chi_{U_l(B)}\|_{L^2(2^{l+1}B)} \\ &\leq C \cdot 2^{-l\varepsilon} (2^{l+1}r_B)^{2M} |2^{l+1}B|^{1/2} w(2^{l+1}B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have showed that each  $m_j^{(22)}$  is also a multiple of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom with a sequence of coefficients in  $l^p$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 3.8.  $\square$

## 4 Proofs of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* For any  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ , since the operator  $L^{i\gamma}$  is linear and bounded on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then by Theorems 3.3 and 3.5, it is enough to show that for any  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom  $a$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a constant  $C > 0$  independent of  $a$  such that  $\|L^{i\gamma}(a)\|_{L^p(w)} \leq C$ . Let  $a$  be a  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom with  $\text{supp } a \subseteq B = B(x_0, r_B)$ ,  $\|a\|_{L^2(B)} \leq |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} \|L^{i\gamma}(a)\|_{L^p(w)}^p &= \int_{2B} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)|^p w(x) dx + \int_{(2B)^c} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)|^p w(x) dx \\ &= I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

Set  $s = 2/p > 1$ . Note that  $w \in RH_{s'}$ , then it follows from Hölder's inequality, the  $L^2$  boundedness of  $L^{i\gamma}$  and Lemma 2.1 that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \left( \int_{2B} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)|^2 dx \right)^{p/2} \left( \int_{2B} w(x)^{s'} dx \right)^{1/s'} \\ &\leq C \|a\|_{L^2(B)}^p \cdot \frac{w(2B)}{|2B|^{1/s}} \\ &\leq C. \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

On the other hand, by using Hölder's inequality and the fact that  $w \in RH_{s'}$ , we can get

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)|^p w(x) dx \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)|^2 dx \right)^{p/2} \cdot \frac{w(2^{k+1}B)}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1/s}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

For any  $x \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , by the expression (1.2), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} |L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)| &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\leq C \int_0^{r_B^2} e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t} + C \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \text{I} + \text{II}. \end{aligned}$$

For the term I, we observe that when  $x \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B$ ,  $y \in B$ , then  $|x - y| \geq 2^{k-1}r_B$ . Hence, by using Hölder's inequality and the estimate (1.1), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} |e^{-tL}a(x)| &\leq C \cdot \frac{t^{1/2}}{(2^{k-1}r_B)^{n+1}} \int_B |a(y)| dy \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{t^{1/2}}{(2^k r_B)^{n+1}} \|a\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} |B|^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \cdot w(B)^{-1/p} \frac{t^{1/2}}{2^{k(n+1)} \cdot r_B}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I} &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}} \cdot \frac{1}{r_B} \int_0^{r_B^2} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}}. \end{aligned}$$

We now turn to estimate the other term II. In this case, since there exists a function  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^M)$  such that  $a = L^M b$  and  $\|b\|_{L^2(B)} \leq r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}$ ,

then it follows from Hölder's inequality and Lemma 3.1 that

$$\begin{aligned}
|e^{-tL}a(x)| &= |(tL)^M e^{-tL}b(x)| \cdot \frac{1}{t^M} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{(2^{k-1}r_B)^{n+1}} \int_B |b(y)| dy \cdot \frac{1}{t^{M-1/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{(2^k r_B)^{n+1}} \|b\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} |B|^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{t^{M-1/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{r_B^{2M-1}}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}} \cdot \frac{1}{t^{M-1/2}}. \tag{4.4}
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{II} &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}} \cdot r_B^{2M-1} \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^{M+1/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}},
\end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality we have used the fact that  $M \geq 1$ . Therefore, by combining the above estimates for I and II, we obtain

$$|L^{i\gamma}(a)(x)| \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)} w(B)^{1/p}}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B. \tag{4.5}$$

Substituting the above inequality (4.5) into (4.2) and using Lemma 2.1, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I_2 &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{kp(n+1)} w(B)} \cdot w(2^{k+1}B) \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k[p(n+1)-n]}} \\
&\leq C, \tag{4.6}
\end{aligned}$$

where the last series is convergent since  $p > n/(n+1)$ . Summarizing the estimates (4.1) and (4.6) derived above, we complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.2.* Since the operator  $L^{i\gamma}$  is linear and bounded on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then by using Theorems 3.3, 3.5 and 3.8, it suffices to verify that for every  $w$ -( $p, 2, 2M$ )-atom  $a$ , the function  $m = L^{i\gamma}(a)$  is a multiple of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and the multiple constant is independent of

a. Let  $a$  be a  $w(p, 2, 2M)$ -atom with  $\text{supp } a \subseteq B = B(x_0, r_B)$ . Then by definition, there exists a function  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^{2M})$  such that  $a = L^{2M}(b)$  and  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k b\|_{L^2(B)} \leq r_B^{4M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, 2M$ . We set  $\tilde{b} = L^{i\gamma}(L^M b)$ , then we have  $m = L^M(\tilde{b})$ . Obviously,  $m(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Moreover, for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ , we can deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2B)} &= \frac{1}{r_B^{2M}} \|L^{i\gamma}[(r_B^2 L)^{M+k} b]\|_{L^2(2B)} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{r_B^{2M}} \|(r_B^2 L)^{M+k} b\|_{L^2(B)} \\ &\leq C \cdot r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to estimate  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B)}$  for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} |(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}(x)| &= |L^{i\gamma}[(r_B^2 L)^k L^M b](x)| \\ &\leq C \int_0^{r_B^2} e^{-tL} [r_B^{2k} L^{M+k} b](x) \frac{dt}{t} + C \int_{r_B^2}^\infty e^{-tL} [r_B^{2k} L^{M+k} b](x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \text{I}' + \text{II}'. \end{aligned}$$

As mentioned in the proof of Theorem 1.1, we know that when  $x \in 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B$ ,  $y \in B$ , then  $|x - y| \geq 2^{j-1}r_B$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ . It follows from Hölder's inequality and the estimate (1.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I}' &\leq C \int_0^{r_B^2} \frac{t^{1/2}}{(2^{j-1}r_B)^{n+1}} \|r_B^{2k} L^{M+k} b\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} |B|^{1/2} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{(2^j r_B)^{n+1}} \left( \frac{1}{r_B^{2M}} \cdot r_B^{4M} |B|^{1/2} w(B)^{-1/p} \right) |B|^{1/2} \int_0^{r_B^2} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w(B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.7}$$

Since  $B \subseteq 2^j B$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , then by using Lemma 2.2, we can get

$$\frac{w(B)}{w(2^j B)} \geq C \cdot \frac{|B|}{|2^j B|}. \tag{4.8}$$

Hence

$$\text{I}' \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/p]}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B.$$

Applying Hölder's inequality and Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{II}' &\leq C \cdot r_B^{2k} \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} (tL)^{M+k} e^{-tL}(b)(x) \frac{dt}{t^{M+k+1}} \\
&\leq C \cdot r_B^{2k} \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2^{j-1}r_B)^{n+1}} \|b\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} |B|^{1/2} \frac{dt}{t^{M+k+1/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{(2^j r_B)^{n+1}} \left( r_B^{4M+2k} |B| w(B)^{-1/p} \right) \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^{M+k+1/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w(B)^{-1/p}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

It follows immediately from the above inequality (4.8) that

$$\text{II}' \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/p]}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B.$$

Combining the above estimates for  $\text{I}'$  and  $\text{II}'$ , we thus obtain

$$\|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B)} \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/p]}} \cdot r_B^{2M} |2^j B|^{1/2} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}.$$

Observe that  $p > n/(n+1)$ . If we set  $\varepsilon = (n+1) - n/p$ , then we have  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Therefore, we have proved that the function  $m = L^{i\gamma}(a)$  is a multiple of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.  $\square$

## 5 Proofs of Theorems 1.3 and 1.4

*Proof of Theorem 1.3.* As in the proof of Theorem 1.1, it suffices to prove that for every  $w$ -( $p, 2, M$ )-atom  $a$ ,  $M > (3n)/4$ , there exists a constant  $C > 0$  independent of  $a$  such that  $\|L^{-\alpha/2}(a)\|_{L^q(w^{q/p})} \leq C$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned}
\|L^{-\alpha/2}(a)\|_{L^q(w^{q/p})}^q &= \int_{2B} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^q w(x)^{q/p} dx + \int_{(2B)^c} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^q w(x)^{q/p} dx \\
&= J_1 + J_2.
\end{aligned}$$

First note that  $0 < \alpha < n/2$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ , then we are able to choose a number  $\mu > q$  such that  $1/\mu = 1/2 - \alpha/n$ . Set  $s = 2/p$ , then by a simple calculation, we can easily see that  $(q/p) \cdot (\mu/q)' = s'$  and  $1 - q/\mu = q/(ps')$ . Applying Hölder's inequality, the  $L^2$ - $L^\mu$  boundedness of  $L^{-\alpha/2}$ , Lemma 2.1



and  $w \in RH_{s'}$ , we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1 &\leq \left( \int_{2B} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^{q \cdot \frac{\mu}{q}} dx \right)^{q/\mu} \left( \int_{2B} w(x)^{\frac{q}{p} \cdot (\frac{\mu}{q})'} dx \right)^{1-q/\mu} \\
&= \left( \int_{2B} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^\mu dx \right)^{q/\mu} \left( \int_{2B} w(x)^{s'} dx \right)^{q/(ps')} \\
&\leq C \|a\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}^q \left( \frac{w(2B)}{|2B|^{1/s}} \right)^{q/p} \\
&\leq C.
\end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

We now turn to deal with  $J_2$ . Using the condition  $w \in RH_{s'}$  and Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^q w(x)^{q/p} dx \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)|^\mu dx \right)^{q/\mu} \cdot \left( \frac{w(2^{k+1}B)}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1/s}} \right)^{q/p}. \tag{5.2}
\end{aligned}$$

For any  $x \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , by the expression (1.3), we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
|L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)| &\leq C \int_0^\infty e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t^{1-\alpha/2}} \\
&\leq C \int_0^{r_B^2} e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t^{1-\alpha/2}} + C \int_{r_B^2}^\infty e^{-tL}(a)(x) \frac{dt}{t^{1-\alpha/2}} \\
&= \text{III} + \text{IV}.
\end{aligned}$$

For the term III, it follows immediately from (4.3) that

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{III} &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}} \cdot \frac{1}{r_B} \int_0^{r_B^2} \frac{dt}{t^{1/2-\alpha/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{r_B^\alpha}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

For the other term IV, by the previous estimate (4.4), we thus have

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{IV} &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}} \cdot r_B^{2M-1} \int_{r_B^2}^\infty \frac{dt}{t^{M+1/2-\alpha/2}} \\
&\leq C \cdot \frac{r_B^\alpha}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}},
\end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality holds since  $M > (3n)/4 > 1/2 + \alpha/2$ . Combining the above estimates for III and IV, we obtain

$$|L^{-\alpha/2}(a)(x)| \leq C \cdot \frac{r_B^\alpha}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B. \quad (5.3)$$

Substituting the above inequality (5.3) into (5.2) and using Lemma 2.1, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |2^{k+1}B|^{q/\mu} \cdot \left( \frac{r_B^\alpha}{2^{k(n+1)}w(B)^{1/p}} \right)^q \cdot \left( \frac{w(2^{k+1}B)}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1/s}} \right)^{q/p} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k[q(n+1)-n]}} \\ &\leq C, \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

where in the last inequality we have used the fact that  $q > p > n/(n+1)$ . Therefore, by combining the above inequality (5.4) with (5.1), we conclude the proof of Theorem 1.3.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.4.* As in the proof of Theorem 1.2, it is enough to show that for every  $w$ -( $p, 2, 2M$ )-atom  $a$ , the function  $m = L^{-\alpha/2}(a)$  is a multiple of  $w$ -( $p, 2, M, \varepsilon$ )-molecule for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and the multiple constant is independent of  $a$ . Let  $a$  be a  $w$ -( $p, 2, 2M$ )-atom with  $\text{supp } a \subseteq B = B(x_0, r_B)$ , and  $a = L^{2M}(b)$ , where  $M > (3n)/4 > \max\{\frac{n}{2}(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}), \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2}\}$ ,  $b \in \mathcal{D}(L^{2M})$ . Set  $\tilde{b} = L^{-\alpha/2}(L^M b)$ , then we have  $m = L^M(\tilde{b})$ . It is easy to check that  $m(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . As before, since  $0 < \alpha < n/2$ , then we may choose a number  $\mu > 2$  such that  $1/\mu = 1/2 - \alpha/n$ . For  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ , by using Hölder's inequality, the  $L^2$ - $L^\mu$  boundedness of  $L^{-\alpha/2}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2B)} &\leq \frac{1}{r_B^{2M}} \|L^{-\alpha/2}[(r_B^2 L)^{M+k} b]\|_{L^\mu(2B)} |2B|^{1/2-1/\mu} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{r_B^{2M}} \|(r_B^2 L)^{M+k} b\|_{L^2(B)} |B|^{1/2-1/\mu} \\ &\leq C \cdot r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2+\alpha/n} w(B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

Note that  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ , then a straightforward computation yields that  $q/p < (2/p)'$  whenever  $0 < \alpha < n/2$ . By our assumption  $w \in RH_{(2/p)'}$ , then we have  $w \in RH_{q/p}$ . Consequently

$$w^{q/p}(B)^{p/q} \leq C \cdot \frac{w(B)}{|B|^{1-p/q}},$$

which implies

$$w(B)^{-1/p} \leq C \cdot |B|^{1/q-1/p} w^{q/p}(B)^{-1/q}. \quad (5.6)$$

Substituting the above inequality (5.6) into (5.5), we can get

$$\|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2B)} \leq C \cdot r_B^{2M} |B|^{1/2} w^{q/p}(B)^{-1/q}. \quad (5.7)$$

It remains to estimate  $\|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B)}$  for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} & |(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}(x)| \\ &= |L^{-\alpha/2}[(r_B^2 L)^k L^M b](x)| \\ &\leq C \int_0^{r_B^2} e^{-tL} [r_B^{2k} L^{M+k} b](x) \frac{dt}{t^{1-\alpha/2}} + C \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} e^{-tL} [r_B^{2k} L^{M+k} b](x) \frac{dt}{t^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &= \text{III}' + \text{IV}'. \end{aligned}$$

For the term  $\text{III}'$ , by using the same arguments as in the proof of (4.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{III}' &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w(B)^{-1/p} \frac{1}{r_B} \int_0^{r_B^2} \frac{dt}{t^{1/2-\alpha/2}} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M+\alpha} w(B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

For the term  $\text{IV}'$ , we follow the same arguments as that of (4.9) and then obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IV}' &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot w(B)^{-1/p} r_B^{4M+2k-1} \int_{r_B^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^{M+k+1/2-\alpha/2}} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M+\alpha} w(B)^{-1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above estimates for  $\text{III}'$  and  $\text{IV}'$ , we can get

$$|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}(x)| \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j(n+1)}} \cdot r_B^{2M+\alpha} w(B)^{-1/p}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B.$$

Since  $w \in A_1$ , then it follows from the previous inequality (4.8) that

$$|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}(x)| \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/p]}} \cdot r_B^{2M+\alpha} w(2^j B)^{-1/p}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{j+1}B \setminus 2^j B.$$

Similar to the proof of (5.6), we can also show that

$$w(2^j B)^{-1/p} \leq C \cdot |2^j B|^{1/q-1/p} w^{q/p}(2^j B)^{-1/q}.$$

Hence

$$|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}(x)| \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/q]}} \cdot r_B^{2M} w^{q/p} (2^j B)^{-1/q}, \quad \text{when } x \in 2^{j+1} B \setminus 2^j B.$$

Therefore

$$\|(r_B^2 L)^k \tilde{b}\|_{L^2(2^{j+1} B \setminus 2^j B)} \leq C \cdot \frac{1}{2^{j[(n+1)-n/q]}} \cdot r_B^{2M} |2^j B|^{1/2} w^{q/p} (2^j B)^{-1/q}. \quad (5.8)$$

Observe that  $1 \geq q > p > n/(n+1)$ . If we set  $\varepsilon = (n+1) - n/q$ , then  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Summarizing the estimates (5.7) and (5.8) derived above, we finally conclude the proof of Theorem 1.4.  $\square$

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